

## Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held on Thursday, December 1, 2022

The Town of Newbold Town Board, met on Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 3:00 p.m., for a Special Town Board Meeting at the Newbold Fire Department, 4588 Hwy 47, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, 54501, Oneida County, Wisconsin.

The following were in attendance: Chairman Dave Kroll, Supervisors, Dan Hess, Mike Suefloh, Mike McKenzie, Jim Staskiewicz and Clerk, Kim Gauthier. Also present Devin Flannigan, Keller, Inc.

Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., and verified the agenda was properly noticed to the public.

Public Comment. None.

### **Open remaining sealed bids for town hall building project and discuss any other project matters with Keller, Inc.**

Chairman Kroll indicated the town received one sealed bid for well connection unit #4, of the town hall project. Bid received from: Rhinelander Well Drilling in the amount of \$3,393.35. Bid presented to Devin with Keller, Inc. for review.

Discussion on spreadsheet presented by Devin Flannigan of all previously opened bids per unit with recommended contractor awarding highlighted. The estimated total project is \$1,780,000 including a \$150,000 contingency budget and does not include alternates as indicated on the spreadsheet. Contractor, SD Ellenbecker, Inc. has the low bid in most categories and agreed to take on the project with the exception of the electrical portion. The low bidder, PGA Inc. may provide for the electrical unit of the project in conjunction with SD Ellenbecker providing the remaining. Board discussion on the funds available. Additional discussion on the resolution to construct, along with what the electorates were told of the levy implication at the 2022 annual meeting. Mr. Hess reviewed other town funds available and recommended the board consider in addition to the \$1.5 million loan utilizing ARPA grant funds, town hall reserve funds, the fundraising donations and earned interest on the loan to cover the project total presented. The board agreed to not pursue an additional loan for the remaining balance, nor raise the levy beyond what was promised to the citizens.

*Motion by Mr. McKenzie and Mr. Staskiewicz to approve the bid awarding as presented by Keller, Inc. recommendations (as provided on the spreadsheet). That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

*Motion by Mr. Staskiewicz and Mr. Hess to approve the well bid as presented by Rhinelander Well Drilling. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

### **Discussion and action on Newbold Fire Truck purchase.**

Fire Chief, Mark Fetzter indicated a new fire truck would cost approximately \$600,000. However, the department has an opportunity to purchase a 2013 owned by Manitowish Waters with a custom chassis. Members of the fire department have looked at the truck, examined it and voted to recommend the town purchase the truck presented. The cost is \$325,000 along with painting and other updates in the amount of \$30,000. The current 1998 fire truck would go to auction to be sold. *Motion by Mr. Staskiewicz and Mr. Suefloh to approve the purchase of the 2013 fire truck, as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

**Administrative Review and Action** if necessary, concerning general government, public safety, recycling, sanitation, culture, education, job assignments, project updates, transportation, budget items, fund transfers, and future agenda items.

Discussion to follow the next regular board meeting on down payment to Keller Inc., signing the contract and scheduling ground breaking. Next board meeting is December 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjourned** at 4:16 p.m., with no objection.

Submitted by: Kim Gauthier, Newbold Town Clerk